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1. Up to 1945 only one university in Rumania taught veterinary medicine -- the University at Bucharest. A separate faculty at this university engaged in training veterinarians for the Rumanian state. The Ministry of Agriculture was charged by the government to handle veterinary requirements throughout the country. Students who completed their veterinary training at Bucharest were assigned to the field by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Animal Diseases

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a. **Anthrax**
This disease was not confined to any particular sector of Rumania, but was prevalent in every region where livestock was concentrated.

b. **Glanders**
This affliction was one of the most common throughout the country. Glanders reached epidemic proportions on several occasions prior to World War II. The last epidemic about the time that World War II began.

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c. **Hoof and Mouth Disease**
This disease was existent among the cattle all over Rumania.

d. **Rinderpest**

several cases were discovered in the middle thirties.

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Inspection

3. Periodic inspections took place in Rumania but, were haphazard. However, when livestock was to be sold and transported, veterinary inspectors

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took steps to see that such animals were all vaccinated. This situation prevailed, of course, when livestock was exported and imported from the country.

4. With reference to quarantine of infected animals, about the only measure employed by inspectors was burning and burial of such animals.

Research

5. Vaccines and other veterinary medicines were supplied from Bucharest to veterinarians who resided in the rural and livestock regions of Rumania. Experiments for effective treatment of glanders were conducted at the University of Jassy. [redacted] this research was confined to the isolation of the pathogen and the eventual development of a special serum to be used as a vaccine.

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Personalities

6. Two of the more capable Rumanian veterinarians [redacted] are the following:

a. Doctor Joann Pizo
[redacted], this veterinarian was assigned to the Irnava Mica district. During World War II, Pizo served as a veterinarian with the Rumanian Army. Actually his specialty is military veterinary medicine. [redacted] Pizo has no publications. [redacted]

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b. Doctor Aurel Degan
He is chief veterinarian for the region around Cluj. [redacted] Degan took all his education at the University of Bucharest. He is considered to be one of the most outstanding veterinarians in the country. During World War II Degan served the Rumanian Army as a veterinarian where he cared for all horses used by the military. His specialty is actually the care and treatment of horses. [redacted]

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